## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

- 1. (Currently amended) Bimetallic thermostat with exchange contact comprising an external support covering (1) and an internal device (2) made up of a pierced base (3) provided with a packing (4) and with electric contacts (5, 15, 25, 35) with the outside, of a relay (8) electrically connected with said base (3) and of a sensitive thermostatic element (9) electrically connected with said relay (8), characterized in that it additionally comprises a printed circuit (7) interposed between the sensing element (9) and the relay (8).
- 2. (Currently amended) Thermostat according to claim 1, <del>characterised in that</del> wherein said relay (8) is electrically connected with said base (3) by means of electric wires (6).
- 3. (Currently amended) Thermostat according to claim 1, characterised in that wherein said sensing element (9) is connected with said plate (7) by means of feet (10).
- 4. (Currently amended) Thermostat according to claim 1 and 2, characterised in that wherein said electric contacts with the outside consist of external feet (5) with which said electric wires (6) are connected.
- 5. (Currently amended) Thermostat according to claim 1, characterised in that wherein said external covering (1) is partially provided with an external connection thread (11).